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Committee Bill No. 524

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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:
(INS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR
MEDICALLY NECESSARY INFANT FORMULA.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 38a-492c of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) For purposes of this section:

4 (1) "Inherited metabolic disease" means a disease for which
5 newborn screening is required under section 19a-55.

6 (2) "Low protein modified food product" means a product
7 formulated to have less than one gram of protein per serving and
8 intended for the dietary treatment of an inherited metabolic disease
9 under the direction of a physician.

10 (3) "Amino acid modified preparation" means a product intended
11 for the dietary treatment of an inherited metabolic disease under the
12 direction of a physician.

13 (4) "Specialized formula" means a nutritional formula for infants
14 that is exempt from the general requirements for nutritional labeling

15 under the statutory and regulatory guidelines of the federal Food and
16 Drug Administration and is intended for use solely under medical
17 supervision in the dietary management of specific diseases.

18 (b) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of
19 the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), [(6),] (11) and (12) of
20 section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, [or renewed] amended,
21 renewed or continued in this state on or after October 1, [1997] 2001,
22 shall provide coverage for amino acid modified preparations and low
23 protein modified food products for the treatment of inherited
24 metabolic diseases if the amino acid modified preparations or low
25 protein modified food products are prescribed for the therapeutic
26 treatment of inherited metabolic diseases and are administered under
27 the direction of a physician.

28 (c) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of
29 the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section
30 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued
31 in this state on or after October 1, 2001, shall provide coverage for
32 specialized formulas when such specialized formulas are medically
33 necessary for the treatment of a disease or condition and are
34 administered under the direction of a physician.

35 Sec. 2. Section 38a-518c of the general statutes is repealed and the
36 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

37 (a) For purposes of this section:

38 (1) "Inherited metabolic disease" means a disease for which
39 newborn screening is required under section 19a-55.

40 (2) "Low protein modified food product" means a product
41 formulated to have less than one gram of protein per serving and
42 intended for the dietary treatment of an inherited metabolic disease
43 under the direction of a physician.

44 (3) "Amino acid modified preparation" means a product intended

45 for the dietary treatment of an inherited metabolic disease under the
46 direction of a physician.

47 (4) "Specialized formula" means a nutritional formula for infants
48 that is exempt from the general requirements for nutritional labeling
49 under the statutory and regulatory guidelines of the federal Food and
50 Drug Administration and is intended for use solely under medical
51 supervision in the dietary management of specific diseases.

52 (b) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the
53 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), [(6),] (11) and (12) of section
54 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, [or renewed] amended,
55 renewed or continued in this state on or after October 1, [1997] 2001,
56 shall provide coverage for amino acid modified preparations and low
57 protein modified food products for the treatment of inherited
58 metabolic diseases if the amino acid modified preparations or low
59 protein modified food products are prescribed for the therapeutic
60 treatment of inherited metabolic diseases and are administered under
61 the direction of a physician.

62 (c) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the
63 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-
64 469 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in
65 this state on or after October 1, 2001, shall provide coverage for
66 specialized formulas when such specialized formulas are medically
67 necessary for the treatment of a disease or condition and are
68 administered under the direction of a physician.

INS *Joint Favorable*

PH *Joint Favorable*